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**ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES**

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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature. The volume is organized alphabetically by committee; within each committee, the summaries are arranged by LD number. A subject index is provided at the beginning of each committee's summaries.

The committee report or reports, the prime sponsor for each bill and the lead co-sponsor in each house if one has been designated are listed below each bill title. All adopted amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor for floor amendments. Final action on each bill is listed to the right of the title. Various types of final action are abbreviated as follows:

PUBLIC XXX

P&S XXX

RESOLVE XXX

CON RES XXX

EMERGENCY

CARRIED OVER

ONTP

ENACTMENT FAILED

INDEF PP

FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT

FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT

DIED BETWEEN BODIES

CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE

VETO SUSTAINED

UNSIGNED

DIED ON ADJOURNMENT

Chapter # of enacted Public Law

Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law

Chapter # of enacted Resolve

Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses

Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days

Bill carried over to Second Session

Ought Not to Pass report accepted

Bill failed to get majority vote

Bill Indefinitely Postponed

Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote

Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote

House & Senate disagree; bill died

Committee of Conference formed but unable to agree

Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto

Not signed by Governor within 10 days

Action incomplete when session ended; bill died

These summaries were prepared by the analyst or analysts assigned to the committee. But, this document was produced by the efforts of all the office staff, including secretaries: Charlene Raymond and Valarie Parlin.

If you have any suggestions or comments on these summaries, please let us know.

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LD 1124 An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Desertion and Nonsupport ONTP

SPONSOR(S) COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
TITCOMB ONTP

SUMMARY

The bill would have amended the laws governing administrative enforcement of child support orders to require that the notice provided by the Department of Human Services to obligors must include provisions specifying the proper course for assertion of equitable defenses. The bill would have provided for a stay of the administrative hearing for 60 days pending a court hearing.

LD 1133 An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Criminal Law Advisory Commission Regarding Revisions to the Maine Criminal Code PUBLIC 184

SPONSOR(S) COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
CONLEY OTP

SUMMARY

The bill clarifies the authority of the Criminal Law Advisory Commission to submit legislation at the start of each session.

LD 1137 An Act to Amend the Maine Business Corporation Act PUBLIC 302

SPONSOR(S) COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
CONLEY OTP-AM S-192

SUMMARY

The bill authorizes corporations in the State with more than 20 shareholders to issue uncertificated shares while preserving the right of shareholders to obtain certificates upon request. The bill also makes clear that underwriters participating in good faith in a firm commitment underwriting are not within the definition of a controlling person under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 13-A, section 910.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-192) removes those sections from the bill authorizing corporations with more than 20 shareholders to issue uncertificated shares.

LD 1142 An Act to Provide Victims of Medical Injury Access to Information ONTP

SPONSOR(S) COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
GWADOSKY ONTP

SUMMARY

The bill would have allowed a victim of medical injury the opportunity to participate in medical peer review related to the injury and to receive a complete legible copy of the hospital incident report reporting the medical injury. It would have repealed a section of law that shields from disclosure, discovery, court subpoena and introduction into evidence certain confidential information received by the Board of Registration in Medicine or the Board of Osteopathic Examination and Registration.